

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1. (currently amended) A work vehicle provided with a tilt floor, wherein a hinge mechanism is provided on a front end of the tilt floor to enable ~~to turn turning of~~ the tilt floor toward a front of a vehicle body, a rear of the tilt floor is formed to be higher than the front of the tilt floor so to cover a headroom of an engine disposed on a rear of the vehicle body, an operator seat is disposed on a top surface at the rear of the tilt floor, and a rear end of the tilt floor is attached to an upper part of a counterweight located at a rear of the work vehicle.

2. (original) The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein the tilt floor is provided with a torsion bar and a gas spring cylinder for assisting and controlling a force for tilting the tilt floor.

3. (currently amended) ~~The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein~~ A work vehicle provided with a tilt floor, wherein a hinge mechanism is provided on a front end of the tilt floor to enable turning of the tilt floor toward a front of a vehicle body, a rear of the tilt floor is formed to be higher than a front of the tilt floor so to cover a headroom of an engine disposed on a rear of the vehicle body, an operator seat is disposed on a top surface at the rear of the tilt floor, a canopy is disposed behind the tilt floor, and the rear of the tilt floor is attached to a counterweight via a spacer which

has tap holes on its top surface for mounting the canopy[[,] and tap holes on its bottom surface for mounting the counterweight and tilt floor supports at both ends.

4. (currently amended) ~~The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein A work vehicle provided with a tilt floor, wherein a hinge mechanism is provided on a front end of the tilt floor to enable turning of the tilt floor toward a front of a vehicle body, a rear of the tilt floor is formed to be higher than a front of the tilt floor so to cover a headroom of an engine disposed on a rear of the vehicle body, an operator seat is disposed on a top surface at the rear of the tilt floor, lock means are disposed to engage a lock bar of a lock arm, which is supported to pivot by a vehicle body frame, with a lock groove of a lock plate fixed to the tilt floor so to hold the tilt floor in a state turned toward the front of the vehicle body, and double lock means are disposed to restrict a relative movement of the lock plate and the lock arm so to prevent the lock bar from falling off the lock groove.~~

5. (currently amended) The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein a canopy is disposed behind the tilt floor, and the rear of the tilt floor is attached to ~~a~~ the counterweight via a spacer on which the canopy is attached.

6. (currently amended) The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein a canopy is disposed behind the tilt floor, the canopy is attached to ~~a~~ the counterweight, and the rear of the tilt floor is attached to the canopy.

7. (currently amended) The work vehicle provided with a tilt floor according to Claim 1, wherein a canopy is disposed behind the tilt floor, and the canopy and the rear of the tilt floor are attached to ~~a~~ the counterweight.

8. (original) A hydraulic excavator provided with a tilt floor, comprising lock means and double lock means for holding the tilt floor in a tilted state.